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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

**In re:**

Bankruptcy Case No. 19-30088 (DM)

**PG&E CORPORATION,**

Chapter 11

**- and -**

(Lead Case) (Jointly Administered)

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC  
COMPANY,**

**ORDER APPROVING (A) PROCEDURES FOR  
FILING OMNIBUS OBJECTIONS TO CLAIMS  
AND (B) THE FORM AND MANNER OF THE  
NOTICE OF OMNIBUS OBJECTIONS**

**Debtors.**

- ☐ Affects PG&E Corporation  
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and Electric  
Company  
☒ Affects both Debtors

[Related to Dkt. No. 7758]

**Hearing Date: June 24, 2020  
Time: 10:00 am**

*\* All papers shall be filed in the Lead Case,  
No. 19-30088 (DM).*

Upon the Motion, dated June 3, 2020 (the “**Omnibus Objections Motion**”)<sup>1</sup> [Dkt. No. 7758], of PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, as debtors and debtors in possession (together, “**PG&E**” or the “**Debtors**”) in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the “**Chapter 11 Cases**”), pursuant to section 105(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the “**Bankruptcy Code**”) and Rule 3007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “**Bankruptcy Rules**”), for entry of an Order Approving (A) Procedures For Filing Omnibus Objections To Claims And (B) The Form And Manner Of The Notice Of Omnibus Objections; and consideration of the Omnibus Objections Motion and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and certain objections to the Motion having been filed as well as certain joinders thereto [Dkt. Nos. 7975, 7985, 7992, 7993, 7994, 7995] (collectively, the “**Objections**”); and a hearing having been held on the Motion and the Objections on June 24, 2020 (the “**Hearing**”); and the Court having found and determined that notice of the Omnibus Objections Motion as provided to the parties listed therein is reasonable and sufficient, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Omnibus Objections Motion and the McWilliams Declaration submitted in support of the Omnibus Objections Motion; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Omnibus Objections Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein, as modified in accordance with the record at the Hearing; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Omnibus Objections Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, creditors, shareholders, and all parties in interest; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Omnibus Objections Motion is granted as provided herein and modified in accordance with the record at the Hearing. To the extent any Objections have not been resolved or withdrawn prior to, or on the record at, the Hearing, they are hereby overruled.

<sup>1</sup> Any capitalized terms defined in the Motion and not otherwise defined in this Order shall have the meaning defined in the Motion or the *Debtors’ and Shareholder Proponents’ Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization dated June 19, 2020* (as may be modified, supplemented, or amended from time to time, and together with any schedules of exhibits thereto, the “**Plan**”), as applicable.

2. The Omnibus Claim Objection Procedures are approved as follows:
  - A. Form of Omnibus Objection. Omnibus Objections will be numbered consecutively, irrespective of basis.
  - B. Number of Proofs of Claim per Omnibus Objection. The Debtors may object to no more than 250 claims per Omnibus Objection.
  - C. Grounds for Omnibus Objection. The Debtors may object to the Proofs of Claim on the grounds identified in Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d) as well as on any of the following grounds:
    - i. The amount claimed contradicts the Debtors' books and records and the Debtors, after review and consideration of any information provided by the Claimant, deny liability in excess of the amount reflected in the Debtors' books and records;
    - ii. The claims were incorrectly classified;
    - iii. The claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable for the reason or reasons stated in the objection;
    - iv. The claims do not comply with the requirements for a proof of claim in that they lack required information or documents necessary to establish *prima facie* evidence of the claims' validity, the Debtors have no other information to support the claims' validity, and the Debtors deny liability on that basis;
    - v. The claims are for reimbursement or contribution and are subject to disallowance under section 502(e)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code;
    - vi. The claims are objectionable on some other common basis under applicable bankruptcy or non-bankruptcy law, such as the statute of limitations, that applies to 10 or more claims; and
    - vii. Under the Plan, the claims have been disallowed or expunged or the Debtors' liability has otherwise been resolved or will pass through the Chapter 11 Cases unaffected by the Plan.
  - D. Supporting Declaration. The Omnibus Objections shall be accompanied by an affidavit or declaration that supports the Omnibus Objections.
  - E. Proofs of Claim Exhibits. An exhibit listing the Proofs of Claim that are subject to the Omnibus Objection will be attached to each Omnibus Objection. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Local Rule 3007-1(a), Debtors are not required to attach a copy of Proofs of Claim that are the subject of the objection. Each exhibit will include, among other things, the following information:
    - i. An alphabetized list of the Claimants whose Proofs of Claim are the subject of the Omnibus Objection;
    - ii. The claim numbers of the Proofs of Claim that are the subject of the Omnibus Objection;
    - iii. The amount of claim asserted in the Proof of Claim;

iv. The grounds for the objection; and

v. For Omnibus Objections in which the Debtors seek to reduce the amount of any given Proof of Claim, the proposed reduced claim amount.

F. Omnibus Claim Objection Notice. Each Claimant whose claim is the subject of an Omnibus Objection will be sent an individualized notice of the Omnibus Objection (each, an “**Omnibus Claim Objection Notice**”) in substantially the form attached to this Order as Exhibit A. The Omnibus Claim Objection Notice will be served on the individual Claimant by mail, not less than 37 days before the date set for hearing of the Omnibus Objection, at the address specified in the Proof of Claim and on any other representative of the Claimant identified in the Proof of Claim. The Omnibus Claim Objection Notice will, among other things:

i. Describe the basic nature of the Omnibus Objection;

ii. Inform the Claimant that its rights may be affected by the Omnibus Objection and encourage the Claimant to read the Omnibus Claim Objection Notice carefully;

iii. Inform the Claimant how it can readily obtain at no cost a copy of the full Omnibus Objection; and

iv. Identify a response date (each, a “**Response Deadline**”) not less than 14 calendar days before the date set for hearing, consistent with Bankruptcy Local Rule 9014-1(c), and describe the procedures for filing a written response (each, a “**Response**”) to the Omnibus Objection.

Although the Omnibus Claim Objection Notice generally will be in the form attached to this Order as Exhibit A, it may be tailored specifically to address particular Claimants or types of Omnibus Objections.

G. Order if No Response. The Debtors may submit an order to the Bankruptcy Court sustaining each Omnibus Objection to all Proofs of Claim for which the Debtors did not receive a timely Response, without further notice to the Claimants.

H. Each Objection Is a Contested Matter. Each Proof of Claim subject to an Omnibus Objection and the Response thereto will constitute a separate contested matter as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 9014, and any order entered by the Bankruptcy Court will be deemed a separate order with respect to the Proof of Claim. Consistent with Bankruptcy Rule 3007(f), the finality of any order regarding a claim objection included in an Omnibus Objection shall be determined as though the claim had been subject to an individual objection.

I. Requirements for All Responses to Objections. Claimants who disagree with the relief sought in an Omnibus Objection are required to file a written Response in accordance with the procedures set forth herein and the Bankruptcy Local Rules. If a Claimant whose Proof of Claim is subject to an Omnibus Objection does not file and serve a Response in compliance with the procedures below and the Bankruptcy Local Rules, the Bankruptcy Court may sustain the Omnibus Objection with respect to the Proof of Claim without further notice to the Claimant.

i. Contents. Each Response must contain the following (at a minimum):

- a) A caption setting forth the name of the of the Bankruptcy Court, the name of the Debtor, the case number and title of the Omnibus Objection to which the Response is directed;
  - b) The Claimant's name, the designated Proof of Claim number(s), and an explanation for the amount of the Proof of Claim;
  - c) A concise statement setting forth the reasons why the Bankruptcy Court should not sustain the Omnibus Objection;
  - d) A declaration under penalty of perjury of a person with personal knowledge of the relevant facts that support the Response;
  - e) The Claimant's name, address, telephone number, and/or the name, address, and telephone number of the Claimant's attorney and/or designated representative to whom counsel for the Debtors should serve a reply to the Response, if any (each, a "**Notice Address**"). If a Response contains a Notice Address that is different from the name and/or address listed on the Proof of Claim, the new Notice Address will be added to the existing service address(es), and future service of papers with respect to all of the Claimant's Proofs of Claim listed in the Omnibus Objection (including all Proofs of Claim to be disallowed and the surviving Proofs of Claim) will be sent to the new Notice Address in addition to other service address(es) already on file.
- ii. Additional Information. To facilitate a resolution of the Omnibus Objection, the Response should also include the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the party with authority to reconcile, settle, or otherwise resolve the Omnibus Objection on the Claimant's behalf (the "**Additional Addresses**"). Unless an Additional Address is the same as the Notice Addresses, the Additional Address will not become the service address for future service of papers.
  - iii. Failure to Timely File a Response. If the Claimant fails to file and serve a Response on or before the Response Deadline in compliance with the procedures set forth herein, the Debtors will present to the Bankruptcy Court an appropriate Order granting the relief requested in the Omnibus Objection without further notice to the Claimant.
  - iv. Service of the Response. A written Response to an Omnibus Objection, consistent with the requirements described herein and in the Omnibus Claim Objection Notice, must be timely served on or before the Response Deadline (which will be clearly set forth in the Notice). Responses should be served via the Court's ECF system. In the case of Claimants who are not able to use the ECF system, service must be made by electronic mail to the email addresses of the Debtors' counsel as shown on the Objection. If a Claimant does not have the ability to serve a Response electronically, the Response must be served by a postal or commercial express service that will effect delivery not more than two business days after the Response Deadline, and the Claimant must inform Debtors' counsel by email, telephone or facsimile before the Response Deadline of the Claimant's name and phone number, the number of the Omnibus Objection, and the fact that a paper Response is being delivered by express.

1 J. Reservation of Rights. Nothing in the Omnibus Claim Objection Notice or the  
2 Omnibus Objection will constitute a waiver of the right to assert any claims,  
3 counterclaims, rights of offset or recoupment, preference actions, fraudulent  
4 transfer actions or any other claims against the claimant. Unless the Bankruptcy  
5 Court allows a Proof of Claim or specifically orders otherwise, the Debtors have  
6 the right to object on any grounds to the Proofs of Claim (or to any other Proofs  
7 of Claim or causes of action filed by a claimant or that have been scheduled by  
8 the Debtors) at a later date. An affected Claimant will receive a separate notice  
9 of any such additional objection.

10 3. Notice of the Omnibus Objections Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and  
11 sufficient and the requirements of the Bankruptcy Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

12 4. **These Omnibus Claim Objection Procedures DO NOT APPLY to any**  
13 **proofs of claim with respect to (a) FIRE VICTIM CLAIMS or (b) SUBROGATION**  
14 **WILDFIRE CLAIMS.**

15 5. The Omnibus Claim Objection Procedures set forth herein and approved pursuant to this  
16 Order shall not apply to any proofs of claim with respect to any Subordinated Debt Claims or HoldCo  
17 Rescission or Damage Claims (collectively, the “**Subordinated Securities Claims**”). Omnibus claims  
18 resolution and/or objection procedures with respect to the Subordinated Securities Claims, if any, shall  
19 be filed by the Debtors or Reorganized Debtors, as applicable, pursuant to a separate motion on  
20 appropriate notice.

21 6. The Debtors are authorized to take all necessary actions to effectuate the relief granted  
22 pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Omnibus Objections Motion.

23 7. This Order is without prejudice to Debtors’ ability to raise with this Court any aspect of  
24 the Omnibus Claim Objection Procedures, or of this Order, after entry of this Order.

25 8. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or  
26 related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

27 **\*\* END OF ORDER \*\***